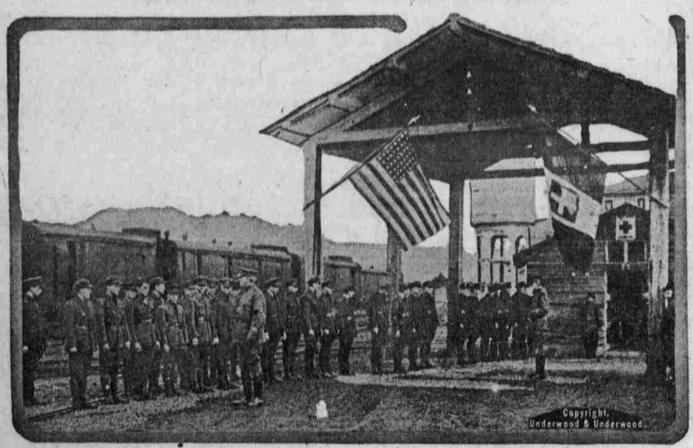


1-Italian heavy naval gun mounted on a concrete barge in the Plave to help keep back the Austro-Germans. 2-New portable laundry being tested at Camp Meade for the government; it can take care of the laundry of 4,000 men a week. 3-Lieut. Mills Kitchin, son of Congressman Kitchin, special instructor in bayonet practice at one of the National army camps.

AMERICAN RED CROSS STATION IN MILAN



The formal opening at Milan, Italy, of a first aid station by the American Red Cross was marked by most impressive ceremonies. Besides the Red Cross workers, the municipal authorities of Milan attended in a body. This photograph shows the men and officers lined up outside the Red Cross pavilion awaiting the arrival of the Italian authorities. The flags of the United States and Italy are flying over the first aid station.

TIMBER SALVED FROM HUN DUGOUTS



Salvage is playing a great part in the present war. This photograph shows timber salved from German dugouts that has been cut up in the sawmills of the New Zealand Tunnelling company to be used in the construction of dugouts for the troops.

GOVERNOR BEATS MAYOR IN PLOWING



Atlanta, Ga., recently had a war-garden parade in which Governor Dorsey plowed the best furrow in the shortest time. The photograph shows Governor Dorsey (on extreme right) and Mayor Asa G. Candler of Atlanta (next to Governor Dorsey), the rivals. The president of the Atlantic Advertising Men's club, H. G. Hastings, is presenting the winner with a bouquet made of Georgia-grown vegetables.

IT WILL NOT TAKE SLUGS



A new postage stamp machine has just been installed in the Boston post office. All slugs and poor coins are returned to the cup in the bottom of the machine without discharging stamps. The only other machine of this type is in Washington.

After the Ball.

It was 3 a. m. before Harold could tear himself away from Mildred's sweet presence. "I think," she whispered, "I had better let you out the back way-the front door squeaks so dreadfully."

As Harold was slipping down the back steps his foot slipped! A window above went up and a stern voice called down from the gloom: "Leave an extea quart th's morning, and don't forget them empties!"

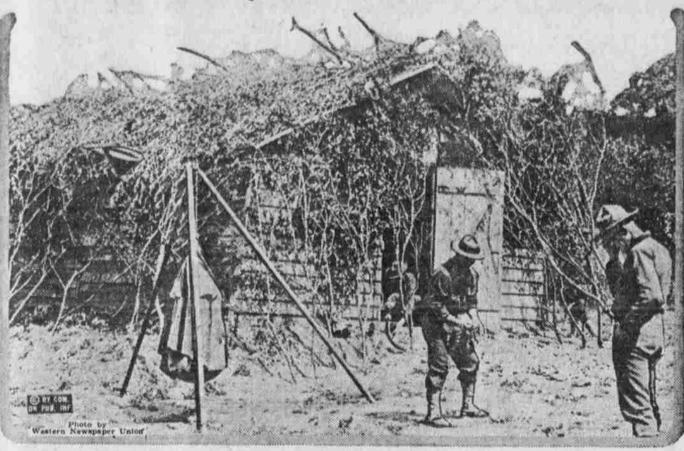
Harold's heart turned a somersault, then he bent it away from there.-Boston Post.

Almost Spoiled It. "It doesn't seem possible that you

can have a daughter who is old enough to go to college." "Thank you," she replied. "I was married very young."

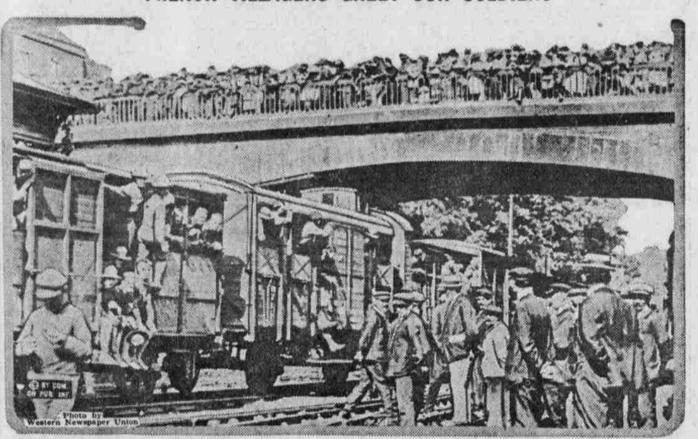
"Oh, that's it! I have often won dered how you ever happened to pick out such a man as you-isn't that one of the most splendid sunsets you even saw?"-Springfield (O.) Ness.

CAMOUFLAGED QUARTERS OF MARINES IN FRANCE



The huts of the American marines now training behind the lines in France have been covered with brushwood to keep them from being seen by enemy flyers.

FRENCH VILLAGERS GREET OUR SOLDIERS



The inhabitants of the villages of France turn out in full force when news of the arrival of our troops from cross the seas spreads through the town and crowds of enthusiastic men, women and children greet our boys at every station on the trip from the seaport to their training camps,

PLENTY OF BREAD IN NAVY



A plentitude of everything is one of the rules of the navy. This fellow is hustling an armful of bread from the ovens.

Puts His Ship First.

In the moment of danger the first thought that comes to the real sallorman is to save his ship. Personal safety is always a matter of secondary consideration. One morning when the bottom blow valve of a boiler was carried away on a man-of-war, Christopher Smith, a machinist's mate, immediately realized the danger and knew what to do. He was on duty in the engine room when the accident occurred. The room quickly filled with escaping steam. Unheeding this, Smith fought his way through the hot cloud and, reaching the fire room. hauled the fires and kept the boiler from bursting. His gallantry saved his ship from serious damage and the navy department commended his action. Smith enlisted in the navy in April, 1903, at Erie, Pa.

Mower That Cuts Neglected Lawns.

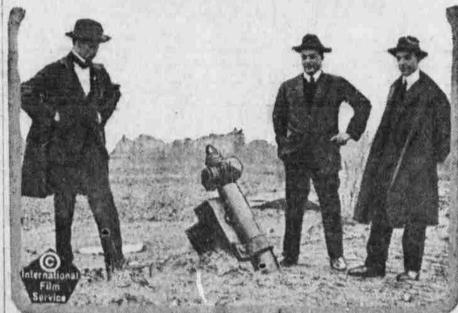
A lawn mower having horizontal knives that will cut grass or weeds, regardless of length, is described and Illustrated in the February Popular Mechanics Magazine. A completely denuded path is secured with one operation. The position of the cutting members permits the cutting of a lawn flush with trees or other obstructions. All stems and grass are thrown to the rear of the knives, where a basket may be attached.

JAPANESE WOMEN AID RED CROSS



Forty-two Japanese women of New York have formed a Red Cross auxiliary to help this country win the war.

THIS MORTAR SHOOTS BARBED WIRE



Here is a new kind of a mortar. Instead of throwing shells it throws barbed wire. It can throw five rolls of barbed wire into enemy trenches or in front of advancing troops without being recharged.